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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

ALGERIA.

Philippeville Declared Free From Plague.

According to information received December 15 from the minister of foreign affairs at Paris the city of Philippeville in Algeria has been declared free from plague.

AUSTRALIA.

Sydney—Examination of Rats.

The following information was taken from bulletins issued by the department of public health of New South Wales: During the three weeks ended November 4, 1911, 1,167 rats were examined for plague infection. No plague-infected rat was found.

The last case of human plague was reported May 29, 1909.

The last plague-infected rat was found April 25, 1911.

BULGARIA.

Cholera and Cholera Carriers.

The American chargé d'affaires at Bucharest reports: According to information received from the ministry of foreign affairs at Sophia, a case of cholera occurred in the district of Karnobat, Bulgaria, November 14. Bacteriological examination made November 15 showed 3 children in the same locality to be cholera carriers.

CHINA.

Hongkong—Plague.

Surg. Brown reports November 13: During the week ended November 11, 2 cases of plague with 2 deaths were reported at Hongkong.

GREECE.

Cerebrospinal Meningitis.

Consul General Gale at Athens reports, December 1, that cases of cerebrospinal meningitis have appeared in different parts of Greece, particularly in Thessaly and Nauplia.

HAWAII.

Record of Plague Infection.

The last case of human plague at Honolulu occurred July 12, 1910.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Aiea, 9 miles from Honolulu, April 12, 1910.

A case of human plague was reported at Kapulena, Hawaii, October 28, 1911.